

CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON

Arts Commission MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 27, 2015

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Arts Commission Members Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shelley Brittingham | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dane Johnson |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alistair Christopherson | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kathy Justin |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Erik Christopherson | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Salmon |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sybil Davis | <input type="checkbox"/> Catherine Wendland |

Staff Present:

Gina Kallman, Cultural Arts Supervisor
Debbie Zemke, Recreation Manager

Guests Present:

Barbara McMichael, SOCO Culture Director

Minutes

Meeting called to order. September 22, 2015 minutes were approved.

Arts and Culture Grants Discussion

The commission discussed possible changes to the grant criteria for the 2017 Arts and Culture Grants. They reviewed the criteria and priorities and discussed the need for a face to face meeting with grant applicants. The commission felt it is helpful to meet with the groups in advance to help clarify possible questions. The commission felt these meetings should be encouraged but not mandatory. The commission also discussed the option of allowing applicants to apply for sustained support to help promote stable arts, heritage, and culture organizations. The commission would also like to continue to support and encourage new projects and programs, as well as underserved communities. Staff will redraft Arts and Culture Grant criteria for upcoming meeting, and will also bring in 4 Culture Sustained Support Grant and Ask 4 Culture applications for the commission the review. At the January commission meeting the commission will discuss asks for more funding for 1% for art and the Arts and Culture Grant fund.

The Arts and Culture Grant recommendations for 2016 was approved by the Commission.

SOCO Culture

SOCO Culture (South King County Cultural Coalition) director Barbara McMichael shared information about the upcoming Arts Commission Summit that will be held on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at the Tukwila Community Center. It will be an opportunity for commissioners from around South King County to share ideas, develop community support, and discuss opportunities for advocacy.

Area of Focus Reports

Education—Staff updated the commission on the Arts Corps 2105 artist in residence program.

With our extra funding from 4 Culture we will be able to supply 8 week residencies to all seven Burien Elementary schools. Hilltop, Hazel Valley, and Shorewood residencies will all take place this fall. Staff is working with Arts Corp to plan the 2016 program, and will coordinate with new Creative Schools Initiative being run by Arts Corps in Highline Public Schools Elementary Schools.

Public Art—Kathy shared information about the 1% for Art discussion that occurred before the Arts Commission meeting between the Arts Commission Chair, Vice-Chair, Mayor and Deputy Mayor. The discussion focused on the 1% for Art (public art) discussion that will happen at the November 23rd Council study session in regards to funding public art in Burien. The study session will be an educational and discussion session. Shelley asked for more information on the Neighborhood Grant program.

Meeting Schedule

The next meeting will be Wednesday, December 9th. The November meeting has been cancelled.

Staff Report

Dia de los Muertos—This new cultural event will happen on Friday, October 30th. The event will include music, dance, food, Altars, and arts and crafts. Staff have been working with local Latino organizations and individuals to plan the event.

Public Art Repairs—Staff is working with a mural repair company to repair the damage on the Augustina Droze mural. The damage is from the cement wall sweating.

Moshier Facelift—Thanks to some facility funding in 2015, Moshier staff were able to facilitate a facelift for Moshier. This is the first work to be done to the exterior since the early 2000's. The facility has a fresh coat of paint, new doors, and repaired roofing. Staff has written a 4 Culture Grant to help give the interior a facelift in 2016.

New Commissioner Needed—The Arts Commission has an opening and commissioners are encouraged to spread the word.

Additional items

The meeting was adjourned.